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Germany and shipboard

6-VII-56

I am falling behind in my report - the eve with Bobles was nice but I have lost the thread by now. But they are changing young people. He must be good because he probably has quite an important position with the ministry as a bright young man.

The next day the Schulhof Bergstrasse. A California type college school, unpretentious, mostly one story buildings connected with corridors, brick and glass. A great deal of light in all the rooms. The principal a man in his forties (?) perhaps younger, by the name of P. K. K.

We visited a 4th grade Mittelschule class approximately 40 students, boys & girls of a wide - the folders packed together. They were singing when we came in. But I had the feeling that things were pretty much set up for us. The teacher and the kids pop out answers as to the poems which they had learned. But the basic feeling was one of relaxation & friendliness between teachers and students. Next a display of Volkshilfe, with students reading different parts & memorizing



as well by students. The teacher only regaled explanation - not really interpretation & common sense.

During recess I am suddenly surrounded by the entire class. They want pen pals, and I gave them Gordon Packer's address. They then started asking questions about California & I checked them all very spontaneous and direct. When I asked whether recess was not over, they said quite comfortably that the teacher would not mind, and the principal, who came back, agreed saying that the conversation between students & guests was the most important thing of in a visit.

In the biology class which followed boys & girls were at separate tables, but the tables were arranged quite casually. The teacher discussed types of plants and the children readily talked "with him". It felt they were too noisy & excited etc, perhaps as the result of their visiting with me. It appeared that most of the children have some connection with the

teacher, mostly those gardening rather than agriculture. They still know a lot more about plants etc than I ever did, but the teacher complained that they knew nothing any more - could not even distinguish between the major groups. None of the students took notes, but I discovered that they were to do so after recess - a double lesson.

The exciting thing about the school is that a relaxed & friendly relationship can be carried out with noisy and undisciplined students. The kids did not look particularly intelligent or pretty or handsome - just friendly. But also without the artificial formality which is so common among the traditional students. But the real participation also can be achieved with average kids.

The school is a consolidated school drawing 5 students from 24 villages with some Oberlinville being from as far as Danville. An attempt is made to educate the different groups as much as possible together. Through the 6th grade there is



The director hopes that the school will get a close bond with uni, without being absorbed by it. Some profs teach too.

Basically, the biology school teacher should have real education training, because otherwise the pedagogical training comes too late.

Some habits are ingrained during uni being which are transmitted later in their teaching.

Elementary school teachers get less than secondary, but not a great deal less.

Quite a little manual being very heavy work.

School finances. Total cost probably near \$1200 DM per student. ~~State~~ State pays personnel, local county bldg. State schools get help DM 360 per year. Unlikely, yet they also have subsidy DM 1,000 for 13,000 students in private schools. But the SPD which controls the state ministry is real set against denominational schools & the Catholic Church.

went an enormous amount of state subsidy. Bobke says they would be happy to have Catholic schools supported by the church, but that would not be feasible economically since the church does not have that much money.

An interesting comment by Paul at the school. He thought it sloppy, the dullness, respectful and self-concerned. He liked the idea of students showing respect for adults by jumping up when you enter the class.

We saw a stage play about a middle class <sup>upper</sup> middle class pretense to being an upper class & the failure of the attitude of the mother who could not face reality. The play seemed strangely uninteresting - maybe because it is, as I think, a good work but I do not believe in "solutions" & always harmony - a la Schiller.

This morning a visit to a Waldorf school which was quite unpleasant. At home, dogmatic principal who resented my



a common core of instruction with languages  
etc given as "courses". It is hoped that the contact  
between the schools will grow stronger, with common  
activities and classes. But the expressed disappointment  
in the program made so far, since school branches  
are quite separate, even teachers are said not to  
have very much contact.

The loss of students in Oberchul is not bad.  
Estimate that 50% of BR grades get admitted. But  
they also have special schol for handicapped & below  
normal children. They also have a boarding school for  
Orphans from East zone or such who have no home for  
other reasons. 40 boarders among 1100 students, most  
of them Oberchul type. I have the impression that  
the boarding school program has been ~~quite~~ <sup>quite</sup> ~~quite~~  
somewhat neglected, or perhaps that the usual diffi-  
culties of an university group of boarders prevail.

We ate in the dining hall which has  
been constructed primarily for the boarding school  
the girls but the doors somewhat shabby, and

one boy dropped 1-2 of plates - poor thing.  
But the directors did not haul him out for less  
carelessness.

The Oberchul plan of studies also deserves  
mentioning. The students can finish some of their sub-  
jects in Oberchul & then concentrate on their ma-  
jor field. But they have to continue to take some of  
the core subjects all the way through. But the entire  
Oberchul plan does allow students to specialize  
more & do their best in their real areas of interest.

A visit to the Pedagogical Institute in the  
Tugheim castle was interesting as the result of the con-  
ference with the Pertsch. The Pertsch (and Ketteloch) ~~the~~  
teachers have to have Matur & take three years of  
education & subject matter courses at Tugheim Pe-  
dagogical Institute.  $\frac{1}{3}$  subject matter  $\frac{2}{3}$  education. The training in-  
cludes observation and 100 weeks of practice teaching  
3 times during studies (during vacations) Teams of  
students & a teacher go to each country for this teach-  
ing seminar.



"Admiral" - somehow he went for  
the Ministry had not percolated through to  
him. The system with its emphasis on music  
& the arts, on early language training, on learn-  
ing from inside with sounds good, but sometimes  
I have real doubts about the plan. They  
believe they have the truth.

I visited Sando. He is almost blind  
but in good spirits. The Mont school has gone  
downhill, but now has good directors. Wil-  
frid & Randolph had both legs in 1940 and  
either committed suicide or else simply were  
fed to die. Sando called him an ideal  
list who was invited by NS. His young brother  
is a big operator - Junior Executive  
type. Sando is wise as always, but like  
so many Germans he uses the integers  
Jews - German a great deal, although  
he is anything but an anti-semitic - actually  
he is Jewish spirit during war.

The connection in Wiesbaden with  
Kunze, who is now in charge of elementary  
& high education for Hess. A brilliant, lively  
fellow in his late forties full of lively ideas.  
Sometimes contradicts in just for the sake of  
contradiction & coeducation. Indeed include it.  
A wonderful person to have a portion of  
responsibility. For some years I am painfully  
shy (a bit) during part portions of his uses.  
Really need somebody or other.

Then the train to Koenigsheim. The same  
as in 30 years ago although a few new ones.  
A bus supplements the schedule. The distances  
are amazingly short. Kellheim, a quite a  
little new construction, but its character  
has not changed basically. And I walk  
up to our house - Korbach share 10 - 5 pattern  
live in it now. It is quite run down, the  
garden is overgrown a little, but Kumbach  
& Korbach are still there. I say who



I am to meet the owner, a 20 yr old man who bought the place from us. He had to pay \$10,000 Entschädigung to some Jewish org in NY. I have to lend into this because I don't want to get something out of it. And I visit with him & the Turn zimmer (Kennis) at sunset and the country is as beautiful as it was in my memory although there are few more houses & factories & the Redden has a quonset for TV towers. All the people are I think to be quite friendly, the teen-age boys shy & respectful, but friendly. The place is worth ca \$20,000,00 but it is not for sale. This would not be so bad for a summer place - but of course all this is nonsense. You cannot go home again - not even every summer. But if I had lots & lots of money ... I really feel quite at home even though it was

a house full of strange people.

I could not find a room in Ullrichen & the best apartment has become a hang out for Ann-Lieschen - so I came back to Pfor & found a room in a Pension in - Kauffstrasse 6. Like all the other German rentals in this one has deteriorated a lot - it will have received a hit. Lots of people live here too - few parties & one private apartment. It is quite obvious that practically no maintenance has been done since the war except perhaps for the roof. Life under these miserable conditions must make its impact on the people.

7-7-58

Went to the Musikschule. The Director a wonderful relaxed warm person. The teachers quite mixed, some quite the old style, other rather more has taken into one German class with nice young teachers, OIA, 20 students. He discussed the matter of



rearrangement which they had seen the discussion  
of on TV. Most of their criticism turned on the  
tone & manner of the debate, rather than on the  
content. 3-6 of the students favored re-arrangement  
with proper safeguards, while the majority opposed  
it unconditionally. The chief goal to reason  
for the refusal was the fact that rearrangement would  
make re-arrangements more difficult.

On the whole the discussion was carried on  
by 7-5 only, but the rest was interested too.  
After 10 minutes the students went to an open  
workshop. In fact it was remarkable that  
quite a few classes apparently were up-around and  
doing things.

The teacher was not too eager to leave me  
- thus class & the director put me into a social  
class (very roughly by the way) of a quite impossible  
teacher. He must have wanted to teach his a  
lesson. She was an old maid old-fashioned ideas,  
teacher - "most of you are too stupid for this class", + she

talked way too much. She says ~~stupid~~, Outspokenly,  
just tolerated her. The kids later asked questions  
and remained a full extra hour (and a few  
even longer). Mostly questions about VPA - organization  
of schools, athletics, etc. About 1/3 of class of 20 asked  
at least one question. None responded to the suggestion  
that those who preferred to go home do so.

Out of the group of 20 less than half seemed to  
pass the OT threshold. The teacher talked quite  
brazily about this. The ones who can't manage pro-  
bably would be themselves quite stupid. They probably  
would have preferred going to a hellhole school, but  
there had no openings.

The students also said that most of them were  
members of athletic organizations only, not  
of youth groups. The Pflaumer made too many de-  
mands on them, no real interest either.

The director indicated much interest in a  
school affiliation with exchange of teachers & students. He  
will see whether I can arrange something in California.



One boy from the East Zone is quite an  
opportunity to hide human instead of English (there  
are journals in the entire school. He attacked  
the atomic experiments, but declared that  
they were off being carried out for somebody's  
profit. But he also said that the East zone  
authorities did not allow student got because  
they knew that the students were against the  
this

7-9-52

above was written Saturday night. I had called  
Ernst Green - to see Bondy - and it turned out  
that the Marieanne Reizenbauge is a Jew.  
Therefore so I met her at Green's...

She has had a lot of weight through her  
breast are still big. She is very kind and  
her face has aged, looks more Jewish & less  
radiant. She is as - or perhaps more  
awkward & ill at ease & self-conscious in  
her movements than ever before. She has  
retained a beautiful youthful smile & her

voice almost. And she is very dead-  
especially when one walks together.

Marieanne has worked as a journalist  
and script writer for kids & other papers &  
radio stations - including the defunct  
New Century. She is bright, brilliant - much  
more so than I - and Bruno says she writes  
well & intelligently. But in human terms she is  
just as possessed as ever & has crazy, crazy  
ideas.

My influence on her life has been much  
larger than I suspected, but I believe, and she  
admits that basically I was an accident  
only - only the thing that triggered off her own  
problems. Therefore I don't honestly feel guilty  
by. But she says: "I got my M.D. only to go you  
one better" - or: "I went back to Germany be-  
cause of your ideas about returning" (Autumn 1939-41)  
She also says, "Do not write (germany) originality" - "if  
you make me feel stupid" - you had the books, you







and open - and a friend.

What had to be done on Monday - dead  
find. Had lunch with H. H. H. and  
an argument about the Army. He says it  
will be a bad one with the wrong leadership,  
because it is built too quickly by the  
wrong people. He says that a good war-time  
corps has to be built up of people who have  
status & pride in themselves so that they  
don't have to take out their frustrations  
on the recruits. But he also agrees that it  
would be better to put all the money in the  
hands of a ~~small~~ better institution for  
education.

Discovered that it would have cost  
me an extra \$100 to go to Lyle - and  
decided to go back to Rye - to fly to  
London this P.M. After I had left Morrison  
I felt pang of sadness. I want to be with  
him as much as possible. The discovery of the

cost of a little trip to Lyle helped to solve  
the problem.

Then a surprise with Paul Cochrane.

I travelled back with him from Washburn  
& spent two hours with him in town. He is  
not as much of a country paragon as I had thought  
the apologized profusely for his attitude  
on me at the Bobber which I really had  
enjoyed. He grew up a university member, a  
Catholic - a small town, with  
people trying to convert him - He was  
only a few years, a fellow with too little  
therefore he feels defamed about his  
Catholicism and resentful by my classifica-  
tion that evening. He has some vested  
interests, and had wanted to see more  
of me. I am sorry that I did not  
make more of an effort but his good-  
goodness just simply repelled me.

To go back to Lyle is Rye. I



am facing the choice problem again more vitally of self-pleasure as relatedness. Perhaps this trip will help me to work out this problem. I very much like being with people and somehow let show my sustenance from company. Therefore the rejection of daylight & the choice of P.F. I hope that I can learn to give in the direction of greater relatedness also after my return.

And I think I know that I will want to live: I occasionally, teach here without giving up one hour in the US. And that I want to go back to school work over here too, after having got a lot of Education at IV & my analysis.

7-12-56

More and more comes out of the conversation with Marianna. I must have reinforced his sense of inferiority & inadequacy just as badly as I did with Joan. I must have perverted my own

boy & girl friends and the guise of honesty just as I do nowadays. And to rationalize over changes of attitudes with the most elaborate superstructures.

It was a great mistake not to complete our relationship physically at the time. M blames B, but I don't consider that fair because my ignorance and exaggerated fear of having a baby stopped me. But it is frightening to think that our relationship which was a matter of less than a year in its positive aspects determined his life for 10 years afterwards - and she is not out of it yet. Of course, it was not just me, but the entire constellation of his awful family situation, his looks and everything else. But how strong all this was in his life when she had <sup>at least</sup> ceased to exist consciously in my life!

And the sense of friendship & affection is there throughout. I believe he would & he seems as a journalist & told her so specifically. I believe that she drew a little support & happiness out of our



time together. The visit to the Palmengarten really was nice.

And tonight I will be in London? I believe that my relationship to Joan will benefit from all this trip, although it may complicate it in external terms.

July 16 - Monday

The first day with Joan was wonderful. The joy, the recognition, the real reaction on my part to love her in her own terms, to skip as usual as possible the problem aspects of our relationship. On the second day my antagonism became very pronounced again, the coercion moment when she mentioned her depression & anxiety and my reacting reaction that it was my fault. What the function of the night before was the trigger, I don't know, but it is clear that it is at present on one for each of us to live separately - but the work of our marriage needs to be done. It will be in this together. But how to handle the various

which I don't know - his inability to respond to cause he feels my resentment & my inability to affirm he because she cannot respond. I am more anxious than I have been most of the time the last 4 weeks. - And yet she is beautiful, gentle, sweet, she loves me as much as she can love anybody and on many occasions I love her too, very much so. But in other respects he & dislike her & that sufficiently so that in the balance I make her feel like hell about herself. When will this end? I think we will manage because we want to succeed & partly the cause of pretty poor reasons.

Highlights of London. The eve of the Old Vic at the last performance of the season, Richard II. At the end a band of hobby horses started yelling & screaming "good" - "good" and other two of the main actors led a band & a lot of other folk. I got a few words, very nicely. What he understood he was the contrast that that these hobby horses lived.



difficultly with the Shakespearean text  
(they were wading through) so that they would  
include a Shakespeare actor with the text  
book. Also the musicmaster, on their  
part to make a big noise & let themselves go  
The performance itself was fine,  
and nothing unusual. The TV company actual-  
ly is one of young actors, who are trying to  
find a new style of acting. It was nice in  
junct with the Olivier play IV.

Then the luncheon at Dutton's where  
we met & talked to our Prof. Enroute  
people: Dr. Cooley & wife, he 10 yrs older  
& a "colonel" type. They were Tories, despised  
the welfare state, wanted the "wonderful"  
Cordery's to remain undisturbed & alone, felt  
that people were long there with because  
everything was handed to them. They were  
not quite bright enough to discuss the  
American society, but wonderfully nice &

helpful with our travel plans. And we  
watched the parade - the Queen & Royal  
and the Duke & Duchess. Martin's wife  
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is a plain somewhat girl - scoutish but probably very  
warm person. The two children 11-12 quite shy &  
withdrawn when we met them at the restaurant  
Both had fat & the girl plain - the boy quite pretty.  
When we stopped at Martin's after supper with his  
parents, the children were both in bed with their books  
No struggle about being in bed at first. When Mark had  
to show us the electric train work, Rahoy pulled  
in dutifully while Mark was trying to make it  
work. Finally he quietly slipped out of bed & asked  
his father what he wanted help. Soon both children  
were aroused & then he said quietly & affectiona-  
tely that they had better go to bed  
it was well beyond their bed time - "must" it  
And they disappeared again without a struggle  
or any emotional display.



The evening with Colin Hayworth & his fiancée of two days was a little strained. She was a somewhat reserved type, worked in a candy shop, but had some art background. When he spoke (as will Colin be soon) it was in such a way & accent that I had a hard time following. The Ashes were nice - but no drink. The matter of US & GB education was discussed some length with the Arnolds. The Ashes very much questioned the Arnolds' belief in separate education for the English child.

The trip to Stratford through Weston Eton Oxford. At Eton at least quite a few of the boys came into the village dirty, black soles, but here the & a supposedly white dirt. Some of them looked like village school boys. Most faces pretty & not outstanding, but others looked fine & intelligent. The play was, Oh! My Darling & the country with Norman & Elizabethan was wonderful. Not very interesting human experience

Harrold, 7/29/52

partly because of the separation of the urban & rural. But the Norman & Elizabethan villages & houses were something to behold - a very real part of the landscape.

In Harrold June waited for us at six o'clock. He is quite dull, looks much older, and has some of his earlier vitality - but he is affectionate and warm as always. Warm - yes but in a reserved way.

He had taken two days off from the office to be with us. They have 20 children a boy & a girl & 3 or 4 old babies. Miss, his wife, a vivacious, warm-hearted gal who could be hard under the wrong circumstances. She & June met in high school & are very much in love. He has a big old house, nicely furnished in an electrician's modern way. There is about here more than this sense of comfort & ease without ostentatiousness which I have had elsewhere. These are of the best things that money can buy. Miss had organized everything so well that his two-day absence went without hitch or apparent effort.



One of the interesting side lights was the fact that they usually took us to very expensive first rate restaurants. This came out of their inherent conservatism which appreciated first rate establishments.

Both an active, but liberal member of the Harmondale Club (a Confirmation?) But while they accept the & believe deeply their basic relationship with God, they do not care much for the external rules & prescriptions of the Church & deplored its conservatism & the inhibiting effect of its ritualism upon its people.

The little boy - Terrence! - just a dream affectionate, inquisitive, & full of questions. The parents very eager to have us spend some time with him.

On the whole I felt very much at home in Holland although the language did not go too well. There has been amazingly little change except that the boys' suits are a little

shorter than before the war (!!) The same sense of decency as in England & friendliness & comfort. It would not be bad at all to live here for a year sometime soon.

We visited the Quakenbush briefly. They had a vacation but we talked to Redmond who was quite uncomfortable - partly because we were unnecessary by late. The school will have to leave the castle - two years, + no certainty yet when it will go. Since now I have the feeling that ~~some~~ of the plan is missing - the minute ~~raison d'être~~, but I have no real basis for my judgment.

The cattle & animals are more or less unchanged. Only the pasture has been covered with white with board which in my opinion destroys the feeling of the place. I don't think that I will have a great deal more to do with the school.

Aia called her husband Vellinga just before our departure for N'dam. Breek & Breen said ~~beetle~~. Dutch den King dandgekomen said. Dams is Bygdelye



was much but, wein id wild. Federfells  
wende id eine für ihre hin aus schreibern

Am Sat night we went to the Baum  
and had a very comfortable room in a hotel. We  
felt satisfactorily & my whole feeling towards the  
changed immediately. It is awful that things  
are this way, but I simply cannot help it.  
But since that evening things have been fine &  
we have managed nicely with the AOs.

On Sunday the Vogts & the Hammerstein  
I was here but nothing special. L.H. was  
preoccupied & a little silent and his  
with a little too dominating perhaps a  
found "hard". The little girl was lovely  
& laughed up after a while, although she  
was very shy in the beginning.

In the matter of rearmament, I  
can't quite get L.H.'s position. He has no  
real hope that the Soviets can be induced to grant  
German reunification, but he says we must main-

tain a certain "belief" - rearmament seems  
otherwise the people in the zone will give up the  
spiritual resistance. He opposed the general idea  
because reasons for opposing limitations of Bundes-  
weid suggested by Dulles - the danger of  
avoiding small wars which can be done only  
by conventional arms.

And now we are on the Starnberg for  
our last week of rest. The people - Wite -  
are immediately wide, the house is fine & it  
kind we will like the other guests. It is  
raining today but I hope it will clear occasion-  
ally. From our point I can see Kellenen,  
Schneidham & Königstein. The highest mts are  
shrouded in clouds.

7-25

Ich sitze auf der Veranda und sehe wie leicht  
das Hochtaunus mit dem Riedberg, das Brunn  
Königstein, Schneidham, und rechts vor den zwei  
Tannen Kellenen mit dem Kloster und im Frickbach



Fal die geschriebten Felder und dem  
Petteshof. Und der Wind in den Tannen, der die  
Wolken vor sich her treibt. Bald wird es wieder  
regnen.

Von 8 interessanten Eindrücken hier. Die  
Wirtshäuser nett & einfach & freundlich. Eine  
schwedische nette, nicht eigentlich hübsche Tochter  
die die Arbeit des Zimmermädchens macht.  
Der Mann arbeitet wohl unten in der Stadt. Die  
Frau hat einen besonders warmen Ausdruck  
im Gesicht.

Ein älterer, fetter Gasthospiz. Er ist Bauer  
& Ffr, Architekt, ehemaliger Mit? Paikin? (unklar)  
Nett & gemütlich, aber voller deutsch-  
nationalen Hass. Ich bin die Deutschen  
sind unendlich schuld aber die Amerikaner  
& die anderen an allem. Die Juden hatten  
alle das Geld aber und haben kein so  
Antisemitismus - es sind schon lange im  
Volk gelebt haben. Die Russen schreien

jeden ab, der ihnen widerspricht. Seine Frau  
beschwört die Übertreibungen.

Dann eine Witwe in den frühen vierzi-  
ger Jahren mit einer wunderschönen Tochter  
15 Jahre - 10te Klasse der Waldorfschule  
mit ihrer Freundin. Von der Tochter, Annelie,  
Es war I can't take any more off. Sie ist  
charmant lebendig fröhlich blond dunkelblau  
ein ganz wunderschönes Kind. Diese Frau  
politisch & geistig ganz auf "unserer Seite".  
Sie versteht dann wohl das gebildete, "stille  
Deutschland", vollendet sind es auch Antisemiten  
propagieren. Mundesmäßig und auch sonst  
empfindet sie auch die Familie als ganz  
unbeschadet.

Interessant ist auch, dass die beiden  
Mädchen, die hier hinstehen sind, als Kellnerinnen  
ausgeholfen wollen. Das war doch zu meiner  
Zeit kaum gegeben - die Handarbeit oder  
das Dienende hätte sie wohl kaum angezogen.



Und eben ist da unten auf der Terrasse  
eine Mädchengruppe (9-13). Mit denen ist  
eine ältere katholische Pfam & eine ältere  
Mutter, eine Jugendleiterin der Pfam  
bringt unheimlich schnell im Monat diese  
Kindergruppe herauf, 2ximal andere.  
Die Leiterin spielt mit den Kindern schön  
und gibt viel Kinderzettel & die Pfam ist auch  
mit dabei. Das ist vielleicht typisch & häufig  
für die Konventionelle Jugendpflege

7/28

I sat with my travel report material &  
prepared outline. Got up at seven & did the work  
production work before breakfast & several words  
ful day - only a little too hot. Ein religiöses Wochenende  
tag.

We walked over to Silvestri & Nonyphin  
yesterday. Part of our garden is built up - it  
is divided into spots, eine Heilung ist in  
das Gezeid aufgebracht, the place is only partly

recognizable. Nonyphin is pretty unchanged.

My called Ron Deke on the phone. She was  
nice & believed that his children would enjoy see-  
ing me. I would like to see Ernst, but doubt  
that it can be done this time - or that it is  
worth it. He has a cafe & Hotel in Bad  
W. Schlangen im Kessel.

The new part of my relationship with Tom  
is that the possibility that the different cul-  
tural background is more important than I had  
believed. Although the other matter is the key. The  
unspoken continuity of background with Marianne was  
a horse of a different color however. But this  
element is not vital no real obstacle.

8-1-52

End some papers: recurring items:

- ① Has had off people in the West are (Austria, etc.)
- ② The political terms & adjustment of the West (U.S.)
- ③ 4-7 journal - key distribution - story about (Austria)  
boy who wants to average friend.



Monday August 6, '82

On deck of the Anne Kuhn & Carlsson. The mess of the rescheduling and delays the convenience of the staff meeting. The boat had full of handsome Cuban boys & girls. The sand bank outside Dubai. And the departure from Europe & Germany at the U.A. Of which there are some on board.

The last few days on the ship. On Saturday there was a party & he & I were relatively well to each other. Although we did not drink much he fitted in so well into a quiet & affectionate setting. In the afternoon Maxime & the French lady came up. He very humorous, sensitive & bright. I would be wonderful, but I cannot quite believe it. He made contact quickly, but she remained withdrawn & slightly antagonistic. He & Maxime also had a good time. When they all left there was a sense of relief. In the end it went well.

I do not remember very much about the rest of the stay on the ship, except the growing sense

of familiarity with the situation. We took quite some walks, but the weather remained bad. On Wed afternoon we took another trip & off, caught a lot of insects.

On Thursday we flew to Beirut. Marie Anne is getting married. Was interesting fellow from the Compendium Ministry who took us on a visit to the East Sector. Very good detailed discussion. Went into an apartment in the Beirut area. One being very bad room a kitchen with all the plumbing like a factory. No place for the beds - but you could put up the beds in the hall. But the Sub. pretty old fashioned equipment. Furniture could be purchased with 10% down with payments being deducted through the Compendium from pay checks.

Let's what a few drinks with the crew. He was an officer in the war group of 1944 July, probably a Lt. 10 years P.O. He married a half French girl during war, illegally. His father was killed by Nazis. The Soviet disapproved the family's Communist



Although the father had been a victim of Nazism. And  
then one man was left without a family and  
without a job. His journalist friend, the Marxist, had  
Munsterman, a politically active of the PDP, the type  
of the Redemptorism of the WWII era. They were  
despite American ideas about elites. In most relations  
reports the PDP ideas he presented were similar to  
those of SPD.

Meeting with Hans Kuhnstein again friendly, but  
mild was said and a sense of rapport.

The meeting with Kuhnstein the next day most interesting.  
He was in the US, didn't know why. May emigrate to US  
but does not feel that it would be easy for him  
to get a job in US. Feels that many emigrants  
really failed to become assimilated.

The problem of the PL-SU exchange. He needs to  
have an early assurance that the scholarship from  
SU will be forthcoming. Promised him to send such  
assurance by June. The next problem is one of  
competition with Kuhnstein. Suggested offer

of scholarship by April & acceptance by May 15.  
Will discuss this with Kuhnstein & Davis. Also prefers not  
to have second scholarship regularly. He is not logi-  
cally consistent, admits to being irritated by me  
June. Our personal contact will be helpful.

On Saturday we went to the bookstore with  
100 Eastmont & went on a plunge of buying books.  
Marvellous what one can get. A whole day's work  
full of wonderful things.

A short visit to Hans Kuhnstein. A definite  
energetic woman who knows what she wants. A nice  
comfortable apt & a maid-servant. The time was too  
short to make much contact.

The evening with Kuhnstein was very warm  
& friendly again. He & I went along quite comfortably  
well. He doesn't really is fond of us. At the end of the  
evening he took us to the whole street near the Kees-  
brun. As we entered the street a prostitute squatted  
water at us from a condom. We walked there  
fairly slowly & then went out the other end because



We did not want to walk past the regular  
street, suddenly he had to slow down because he was  
so excited - so take a pill. This revealed a lot  
about him.

Sunday the trip to Lashover - the episode in  
Dulman about the trip to the bank. I must learn  
to do things that I need to do; even without Tom.  
He is really eager to be on his own when I  
am off on one of my tangents. Yet even here with  
him can be fruitful because out of the strain & dis-  
comfort of that afternoon we came a new relationship  
& friendship when we went about the work.

The program improvements are pretty bad. The  
administration, the food is different. But the boat was de-  
layed 10 hrs after we had boarded at the end of  
day was late. Leonard Martin on the board. Michael  
is completely vague & not at all helpful. The MS  
people on the whole uninterested, antagonistic. It is  
almost impossible to carry on a conversation with  
most of them. Some of the people on the CST staff

are nice, but I doubt that anything except  
casual friendships will develop. But the staff work  
is very good. Most of them had previous CST experience.

Except for some recreation there has been no  
programming so far. Half of the staff, including the  
Miller boys have not been on yet. Some aboard  
in the morning. Most things have been pretty disor-  
dered. I didn't really meet them - Tom however has  
so far and the last edition of the newspaper al-  
ready. The work will be better than - may be from this  
daytime is nice the first person I could carry on a  
good conversation or so.

The girls however are wonderful. The girls, particu-  
larly the one from Louisiana are beautiful, it  
must be a marvelous civilization. They have a wonder-  
ful openness & security, and were "seelenvoll"  
than their US counterparts & then I had an idea  
one year from now. I really don't know whether  
I will approve of the ATB program after I have  
gotten to know it.



Wed Aug 8

Two days later we are still south of George, Eghal South down the ship is perfectly quiet except for the vibration of the engine.

Shaye I continue to be quite shy with the students probably more insecure than anybody else. I have not yet made actual contact with anybody, but this may come out of the Form program, the start of the entire program has been bad & people used but at long last everybody is on board - as of 3 PM last night, the British Mrazon are very nice, especially the parents.

There we asked for a volunteer committee to help with the form programme we got a number - some 60 people - kind of comm I don't know what to do with that many. Therefore I selected a group of volunteers of 17 (by vote of majorities) to serve on program committee to plan future programs.

Quite a few of the girls especially the Scandinavian, are quite beautiful. But I am beginning to be just a little disturbed by the lack of contact.

Joan is looking away purposefully. I do buy the local newspaper & today she is reading on the page. Actually, she is much more in the room than I would give one credit for.

Wed Aug 15

A week has passed & the stage of things has become quite clear. We have had discussions on American schools, politics, race, religion & social life & the Form program, but the tension between APS & TRIP still continues. Essentially they don't want any educational program.

APS is an incredible costly operation. There are a few "nice" individuals on it, but even they have no depth of perspective. APS is not really interested in the education of their kids. Its purpose main purpose is to perpetuate its



own operations by moving increasing number of bodies across the Atlantic. Whether the experience benefits the students & whether & how it could be improved is of no concern.

Look at them: George Elgall, a Yank 30 yrs. old, without the slightest sense of humor, embarrassed most of the time (like Bill). But without real love or affection about him - quite sincere in some ways. Carl Hanna, Michigan SPS representative, stupid, bigoted, cannot be gotten to read or see the newspaper, only interested in meeting with the Michigan kids - the rest of the program being crap. This Michigan state drunk for his own, 250 lbs, full of home dirt, & at least a warm person, hot dirt in the extreme: etc.

The USA is in the wrong by favoring the education program on SPS. They

should do not use their space monopoly to blackmail SPS into an educational equation. SPS probably would be happy to accept recreation & language - let that be it.

Thank God for Milton Kays. He is a Jewish American, Quebec, lecturer, taped the European profile interviews we used to listen to on KPFA. He is warm, a credible speaker, challenges the kids in their thinking. We are getting on day for money, I am here worshipping a bit. His wife is nice too, second marriage for both of them. 4 kids too old for me, two young boys who went to school - I have one here - she is gentle, he is J. Milton is a warm generous person with a marvelous knack for putting things in the kids' perspective. He talks too long, but it is never dull talk. But the work



prospective of an active mind.

I have become less busy with the students work extremely well with our Forum program committee. And I get a great deal out of the work with the students. I am fairly sure (but not yet 100%) that this is my proper vocation. The hope of things to come for the next 2 yrs has been some small dream this summer.

After we got out of the Channel on Friday the weather got very rough. Half the day I got a few of the staff got second hand I did not strongly enough, but by the virtue of being properly prepared.

The book & things exchange: I don't quite know. A number of them are quite wonderful, intelligent, mature in intellectually curious; many of the students (and others) seem in a little bit

course of their lives an inability they look and behave as if they were ready to make love at the drop of the hat - and a few of course. On the whole the students are very lovable & dull. But even though they are probably the most American of their crowd.

But I am not yet sure whether this is the right kind of experience for kids of this age. I am sure that the present administration of the program is poor and completely unprofessional. But even given a better administration. Perhaps this is too big a break. Perhaps the selection of recently gets comes up with extraneous. Perhaps they will do as much harm by being sympathetic and saying what will please the GP & with good habit as the SO as Milton seems to fear. Perhaps they will return so manipulated that they will be



entirely at home, ~~to~~ as with general  
just like US values which are most deplorable.  
Somewhere I find it difficult to see  
the value of the program at present &  
enjoy in the light of the reports of the cases  
about the returning European children. I  
am beginning to believe that American high  
school students should go to other European  
countries first ~~to~~ & come to US as grad  
college students.